

Howard County Coalition to End Homelessness

Coalition to End Homelessness Board

Meeting Minutes

2/27/2019

Attendees:

X	Kelli Cimino, Chair		Peter Engle		Cassandra Killingsworth
X	Bill Salganik, Vice-Chair	X	James Le'Mon		Sandy Monck
	Jacqueline Scott		Bitu Dayhoff		Lisa Terry
X	Fran Trout	X	Ayesha Holmes	X	Karen Booth
X	Linda Zumbrun	X	Kelly McLaughlin		Sheryl Neverson
	Jack Kavanaugh		Joe Willmott		Jennifer Pollitt-Hill
	Stan Levi		Roe Bonaccorsy		Kimberly Eisenreich

Staff:

X	Rose Burton	X	Michelle Hippert	X	Jennifer Corcoran
X	Keisha Benjamin		Liz Van Oeveren		Megan Godfrey Jackson
X	Cara Baumgartner				

Public Attendees:

Name	Organization
Stephanie Kersheskey	
Andrea King-Wessels	Corrections

Meeting was called to order at 2:20 pm by Kelly Cimino, Chair.

Point in Time (PIT) Count and Resource Fair by Keisha Benjamin, HMIS Administrator.

The PIT count is a snapshot of homelessness in Howard County for one day. The Resource Fair attempted to capture more accurate numbers for people who would not normally be found in the street count. Preliminary numbers: 243 total persons, which is the highest for PIT count in Howard County recorded. 105 unsheltered, which included nine families with minor children, 11 adults and 43 singles. 83% of homeless people presenting to the system are new for the last five years. New to the system does not necessarily mean new to Howard County. They must have lived in Howard County for at least six months to qualify for a shelter bed or housing program.

HMIS Report from NAEH by Keisha Benjamin, HMIS Administrator.

Nationally: families with children, veterans, and chronically homeless are decreasing. In Howard County, the same populations are increasing. Nationally the overall homeless population is gradually increasing but that is driven by increases in single adults. Question why Howard County populations is different from nation populations. A request was made to form a Prioritization workgroup to dig deeper into populations.

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Continuum of Care Award, FFY18 by Michelle Hippert, CoC Manager

All renewal projects have been fully renewed, including Tier 2. Slight increase in funding based on market value. Planning grant was approved. Howard County did not receive bonus projects for domestic violence or human trafficking. These projects were extremely competitive nationally. Also, did not receive the shelter bonus project. This is likely based on decreased performance. Next NOFA, the registration was opened in January, it usually opens in May. Request was made to form a NOFA workgroup to assist with writing the application.

New Workgroups

Requests to form Prioritization and NOFA workgroups were considered. There were no objections and the workgroups were established.

The group agreed to move Board meetings to Tuesdays in the afternoon. With Wednesday afternoons as the backup if there are scheduling conflicts for Tuesdays. Room agreed.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:41 pm

Next Meeting:

March 27, 2019 1:00 pm

Howard County Community Resources Campus at 9830 Patuxent Woods Dr Columbia, MD 21046